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PRESIDENT ARRIVES AT MONTGOMERY

Spends Sunday in Historic City of St. Augustine, Fla.

SHORT SPEECH AT MONTGOMERY

Party Will Spend Several Days in Alabama; from There They Go to Little Rock, Ark., and Thence to the Crescent City

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 25.—President and party arrived at 11:07—five minutes ahead of time—from Jacksonville, Fla., and delivered a short address of greeting from the rear platform of his special train, and was greatly cheered.

Enters Alabama in Early Morning.

Ozark, Ala., Oct. 23.—The president's special train, after its run from St. Augustine, crossed the line from Georgia to Alabama today and the party will be kept busy within the borders of this state until tomorrow night.

All through the early morning hours when the train was making its way toward Mobile, from Valdosta, Ga., after a few minutes' stop in the late part of the night, the special train ran slowly on a schedule arranged to insure the president a maximum of rest during his sleeping hours.

Under the program arranged for today the president will reach Mobile at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, and will remain there two hours, during which time he will make a speech and be taken on a drive about the city.

Leaving there, his train will proceed for Tuskegee, where his special is scheduled to arrive early Tuesday morning after a lay-over at Montgomery from midnight until 7:30 a. m.

Cruiser Awaits President.

New Orleans, Oct. 23.—The armored cruiser West Virginia, which is to take the president north after his visit to New Orleans, arrived off the mouth of the river at 7 o'clock today and anchored.

FRENCH PRESIDENT AT MADRID.

Vast Crowds Welcome Loubet to the Spanish Capital.

Madrid, Oct. 23.—Vast crowds assembled at midday to witness the arrival of President Loubet. The city presents an aspect of extreme animation and beauty. The route of the procession crosses the entire city, lines of brilliantly uniformed troops, King Alfonso and the French president driving in a royal coach between two massive triumphal arches, each crowned with the arms of Castile and France span the route. The effect is magnificent at the Puerto del Sol, where 30 golden columns circling the square have been erected. They are surmounted by oriflames linked by garlands of flowers, flags and colored lamps. There are tribunes along the route for the state officials and diplomatic corps. The police are taking extremely rigorous precautions against a repetition of the attempt on the lives of King Alfonso and President Loubet in Paris. Even the usual photographic equipments have been suppressed unless by special permit.

Hon. Jerry Simpson Dead.

Wichita, Kan., Oct. 23.—Jerry Simpson died at 6:05 o'clock this morning. Ex-Congressman Simpson was born in New Brunswick, on March 31, 1842. At 14 he began life as a sailor and during his 23 years following that pursuit commanded many large vessels on the great lakes. In the civil war he served in the 12th Illinois infantry. He came to Kansas in 1878. Originally, he was a Republican, but later became a greenbacker and Populist. He was a member of congress from 1891 to 1895, and from 1897 to 1899, being nominated the last time by both the Democrats and Populists. After he left congress he moved to Roswell, N. M., where he engaged up to the time of his death in stock farming.

Steamer Launched at Chattanooga.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 23.—The Dorothy K. James, a steel steamer built here was launched this morning. She was constructed by shipwrights imported from the east who have been at work for three months. The boat only draws ten inches but has power enough to tow four large barges. She will be used to take material to the contractors for the lock and dam at Hale's bar.

Father of Coaching Dead.

New York, Oct. 23.—Pierre Lorillard Ronald, father of American coaching, who last month completed a thousand mile journey with a four-in-hand as his valedictory to the sport, died early yesterday at his city home, at the age of 79. Death followed an operation for an affection of the kidneys.

QUESTION FOR THE FARMERS.

Have the Commissioneners Acted In Good Faith, or Treated Them Fairly in Letting Their Office to Lawyers?

In the original plan of our new court house there were provided two rooms on the first floor adjoining each other, one for the Board of Education and one for the Agricultural Society of the county, which are now occupied by two lawyers. The Board of Education and Agricultural Society each made demand upon the county commissioners for their office and were refused. As we have been informed, the alleged reason for this course, by the county commissioners was the poverty of the county, it not being able without the rental of these offices to pay Will E. Jackson for sweeping the court house floor and cleaning the spittoons. As this is fair week and the farmers are

missioners wished to show these eight lawyers that they could do it, right or wrong, and that they could not be "influenced" by lawyers "no how."

Well, it is done at any rate, and the farmers have been given a "two by four" room up stairs in the t. e. court house, a room, lighted as it is with one window high from the floor, for which the farmers have no conceivable use.

Have the commissioners the right to tax the people of the county against their will to pay thirty-eight thousand dollars, or any other sum as to that matter, for the building of offices to rent their court house pets? The voters of the county by a majority of more than two to one voted down the proposition to issue bonds for the building of a new court house. It was built over their protest and against their will and they are taxed to pay for it. In this county the farmers are the people by a great majority. How now do they like for their commissioners, attempting to exercise powers they do not have, to turn them out of their room to which they are surely entitled, and place therein two of the court house

they were pets of the ring and because you wished to place them in a favorable position to help them in their profession. No sane man in the county will accept the excuse of the poverty of the county as valid, reasonable or justifiable under the circumstances. No lawyers in the county—not even the two in these rooms—will contend that you had the legal or moral right under the law and your oaths of office to turn out the board of education and the agricultural society and rent the rooms, by private contract, to these lawyers, or to any one else.

Before the court house was built the plan was adopted and displayed. These rooms were marked out for the agricultural society and board of education.

Were the farmers taxed against their will and deceived at the same time? They knew the plan of the court house and the location of their room. They acquiesced in the building of the court house believing they would have their room. Was there a purpose preconceived to deceive them? Or has it been decided since that the "rusty old moss-backs" must not be allowed to

Horse Shoe Happenings.

John H. Murray, one of our most scientific farmers, has recently pebble-dashed his cottage.

L. H. McKinnon has gone to South Carolina on business.

Mrs. J. W. Walters and little son Erwin will soon leave for Alexander, Ga.

Dr. M. R. and Rev. James A. Anderson, of Etowah, will leave Saturday for Memphis, Tenn.

J. L. Gash, Jr., informs us that the Gashes are amply represented in the Clotho contest.

Peace and joy now abound in the home of Mr. W. E. Walters, as he is in position to greet his friends with the smile of a new father.

C. P. Allen, who has been in Hendersonville for several months is now at the old homestead. His many friends welcome him back.

M. S. Anderson will leave for Charleston, S. C., Thursday.

Mt. Olivet Gleanings.

Miss Sinie Osteen is at home after spending the summer in Hendersonville

Misses Lula and Annie Capps visited friends and relatives here Wednesday and Thursday.

Two months of our school has closed. It has been a success. The people all like Mr. Wm. P. Jones as a teacher.

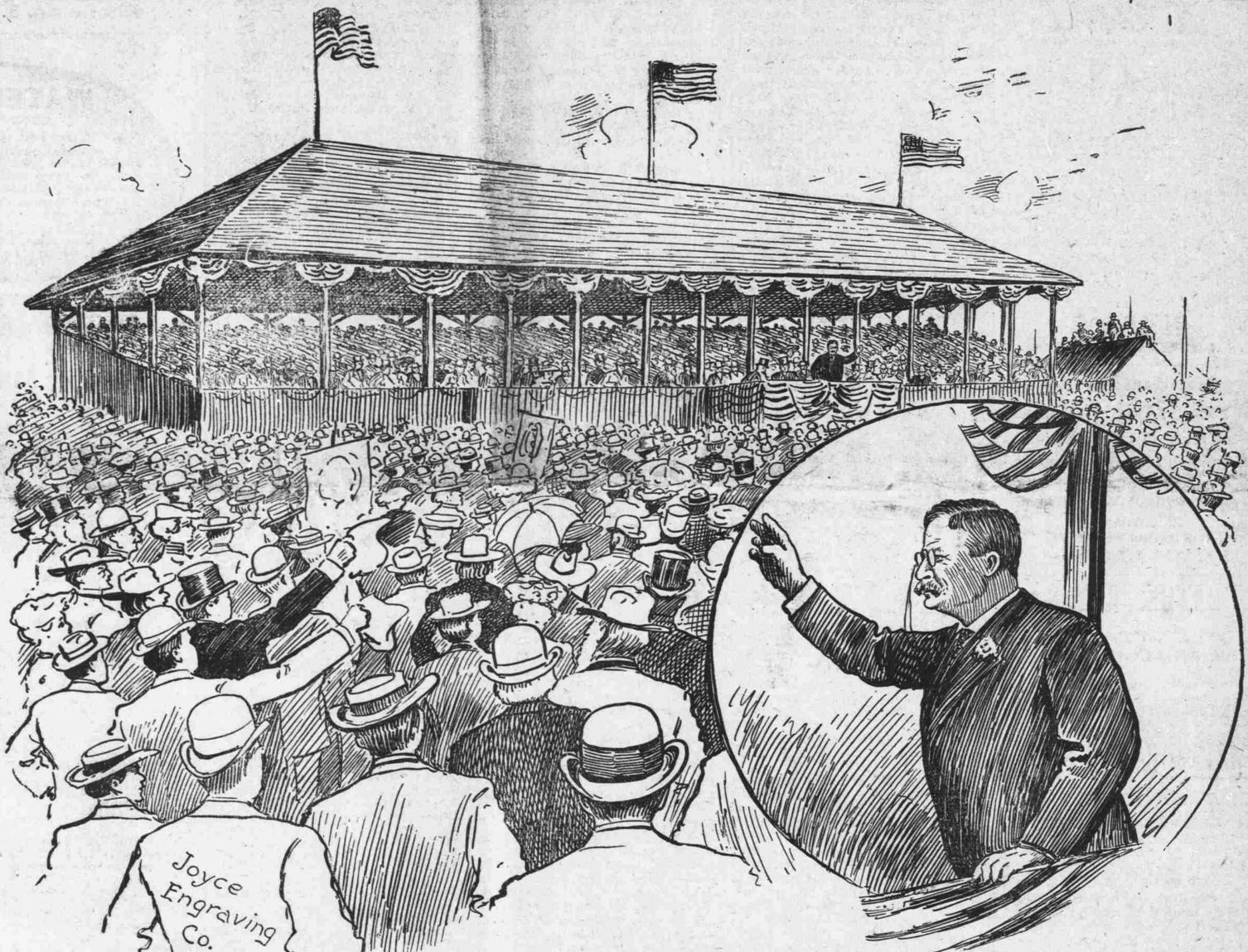
G. M. Brown visited our school last Friday and made us an educational lecture.

Rufus Tankersley and Luther Bruce, of Grandure, S. C., were in our burg Saturday hunting a load of market produce.

Prof. E. A. Ward has just completed his new chimney.

Wheeler Tankersley visited friends at Flat Rock last Sunday.

Rev. A. F. Hamilton preached an excellent sermon here last Sunday night. Rev. Hamilton is a fine preacher and



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT ADDRESSING 40,000 PEOPLE AT THE STATE FAIR.

—Courtesy of The Raleigh Times.

gathered together for mutual interchange of views and improvements, it will be a good time for them to consider their rights, if they have any, to the possession of their room built and provided for them in the commissioners' new court house.

The excuse, or at least one of the excuses offered by the commissioners for turning the farmers out and putting two lawyers in possession of the room provided in the plan of the court house for the Agricultural Society, the poverty of the county, is so ridiculously absurd that it must bring a blush to the cheeks of the commissioners to mention it. The price paid the janitor is \$17.50 per month, or \$210.00 per year. To raise this amount by taxation would require the levy of one fifteenth of one cent on each \$100.00 worth of property in the county! The farmers being entitled to but one of the rooms, it would require the raising of but one half this amount, \$105.00, or one thirtieth of one cent on each \$100.00 worth of property!

Could we afford this vast increase in taxes? Absurdity of absurdities! and offered seriously to sane men. Better to have told us the truth at once, so much better, as we already know.

Another expressed excuse for this course by the commissioners was the fact that they were told by at least eight good lawyers that they had no right under the law and their oaths of office to rent these offices to the two lawyers now in possession of them or to any other lawyers. The com-

missioners wished to show these eight lawyers that they could do it, right or wrong, and that they could not be "influenced" by lawyers "no how."

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You placed these men in the rooms built for the board of education and the farmers under a private contract to the exclusion of all other citizens of the county, let

deface the beautiful new court house by scraping their hob-nailed shoes over the marble floor and spitting upon it or greasing and soiling the furniture with their "dirty clothes?"

Let us hear from the farmers on this matter. Now is a good time to express your wishes and your feelings. **FAIR PLAY.**

Mill River's Showing.

If we take the amount of mail as a criterion of the crescent condition of any section of the country, one would readily conclude that Mill River is a thriving and prosperous place. Notwithstanding there are two R. F. D. lines running through the center of the Valley. The carrier on the R. F. D. No. 1 from Fletcher delivered and collected during the quarter ending Sept 30, as follows:

Delivered 16,016; collected 5,644; cancellation of stamps \$109.17; stamps sold \$80.26. And not one word of complaint, so far as I know. The free delivery system is certainly a wonderful improvement on the star line system.

Frightful Suffering Relieved.

Suffering frightfully from the virulent poisons of undigested food, C. G. Grayson, of Lula, Miss., took Dr. King's New Life Pills, "with the result," he writes, "that was cured." All stomach and bowel disorders give way to their tonic, laxative properties. 25c at Justus drug store, guaranteed.

The series of meetings conducted by Rev. C. C. Brown, at Preston, closed Saturday night and we believe much and lasting good will be the result of Mr. Brown's united efforts. During the entire meeting the best of behavior prevailed with the exception of one interruption at the first of the meeting, but fortunately it never occurred again.

Holly Springs School, together with a few others, spent a very pleasant day on Forge Mountain Saturday.

Oct. 9, 1905. **OBSERVER.**

Letter to W. G. Gullick.

Dear Sir: Here's a story with a point to it. Devco lead-and-zinc is a cheaper paint than lead-and-oil; costs less, goes further, wears twice as long. But this last don't belong to the story we're going to tell this time.

One of the best painters in Uniontown, Pa., is L. O. Rutter; does all the best work. We told him Devco goes further than lead-and-oil or mixed paint.

He said: "I've known it for two years, and have increased my business by it. I take a job for less money than anybody else, and get my pick of the work. Don't give it away; for nobody knows how I do it."

The name to go by is Devco. Yours truly, F. W. DEVCO & Co. 93 Clark's Hardware House sell our paint.

has been pastor of this church for three years. He will conduct a revival meeting here next week.

Rev. Jno. C. Ward made a trip to Polk county Saturday.

Misses Lula and Emma Fisher, of Flat Rock attended church here Sunday.

Eddie Ward was the welcome guest of Miss Lula Fisher, of Flat Rock Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Capps is visiting here this week.

C. D. Osteen left here last Thursday for Greenville, S. C., with a load of produce. **EAGLE.**

TRANSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Special Schedule for October 25th, 26th and 27th.

Leaving Brevard 7:20 a. m. each day. Arriving at Hendersonville 8:20. Leaving Hendersonville for Fair Grounds 8:30. Train leaving Fair Grounds on each hour, leaving Hendersonville on each half hour (when not interfering with the regular schedule) until 4 p. m. Leaving Hendersonville 4:45 for Brevard stopping at the Fair Grounds. Fare 10 cents between Hendersonville and Fair Ground. Fare from Transylvania R. R. station one and one-third first-class fare.

T. S. BOSWELL, Supt. J. F. HAYES, Gen. Mg'r.